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REVIEW OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN FIELDS WITH WHICH THE SUB-COMMISSION HAS BEEN CONCERNED

Mr. Bengoa, Mr. Bossuyt, Mr. Boutkevitch, Ms. Chavez, Mr. Chernichenko, Ms. Daes, Mr. El-Hajjé, Mr. Fix Zamudio, Mrs. Forero Ucros, Mr. Guissé, Mrs. Gwanmesia, Mr. Hatano, Mr. Hakim, Mr. Joinet, Mr. Khan, Mr. Lindgren Alves, Mr. Maxim, Mrs. Palley and Mr. Ramadhane:
draft resolution

Obstacles to the establishment of a democratic society

The Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities,

Bearing in mind the fulfilment of its mandate, as defined by the various resolutions of the Economic and Social Council and the Commission on Human Rights,

Pursuing the objectives laid down in the Charter of the United Nations in regard to the establishment of conditions for the maintenance of justice and the equal rights of men and women and promotion of social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom,

Taking into consideration article 29, paragraph 2, of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,

Bearing in mind that the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action adopted by the World Conference on Human Rights affirms that democracy, development and respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms are interdependent and mutually reinforcing (A/CONF.157/24, para I.8),

Fully aware that the establishment of the conditions for a democratic society is essential for prevention of discrimination and protection of minorities,

1. Decides to include in the agenda of its forty-seventh session an item entitled "Study of the elimination of obstacles to the establishment of a democratic society and conditions for the maintenance of such a society";

2. Entrusts the Chairman of the Sub-Commission with the task of requesting one of its members to prepare a working paper on that question for its forty-seventh session.